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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, as the cited documents are U. S. patents, it is no longer necessary to provide a copy and copies are therefore not enclosed.

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US 2,497,837  
US 2,740,167  
US 4,426,820  
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WO 00/66856 A1  
WO 01/66877 A1  
WO 02/055809 A1  
WO 02/055810 A1  
WO 03/25307 A1

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It is noted that the documents identified above, with the exception of *Bentley*, U. S. Patent No. 6,189,283 B1; *Pervan*, International Patent Publication No. WO 02/055809 A1; *Pervan*, International Patent Publication No. 02/055810 A1; and *Pervan, et al.*, International Patent Publication No. WO 03/025307 A1, which are cited herein, were either cited by the Examiner or in Information Disclosure Statements previously filed in the present application. Those documents cited in Information Disclosure Statements were listed on the Forms PTO-1449 which accompanied those Information Disclosure Statements.

The documents are being submitted after a first Office Action on the merits but prior to the closing of prosecution, therefore under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is enclosed.

To assist the Examiner, the newly cited documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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